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**RESPONSE TO DECISION REFUSING STATUS UNDER 37 CFR 1.47(a)**

Sir:

Through the undersigned attorney, Applicants submit this response to the Decision Refusing Status Under CFR 1.47(a) mailed on September 27, 2002. Being filed herewith is payment for an extension of time to respond for a one month extension.

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**REMARKS**

Subsequent to the filing of Applicant's Petition, negotiations were completed and an agreement was reached between Accenture and BellSouth, thus allowing co-inventors Raffaella Carlomusto and Sergio Castaneda to execute the Application papers.

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING (37 CFR 1.8a)

I hereby certify that this correspondence, along with any paper referred to as being attached or enclosed, is being deposited with the United States Postal Service on this 12<sup>th</sup> day of December 2002 with sufficient postage as first-class mail in an envelope addressed to Commissioner for Patents, BOX DAC, Washington, D.C. 20231.